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**UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL (37 CFR. § 1.53(b))**  
(Continuation, Divisional or Continuation-in-part application)

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Sir: This is a request for filing a patent application under 37 CFR. § 1.53(b) in the name of inventors:  
Michel Despont, Ute Drechsler, Mark I Lutwyche, Hugo E. Rothuizen, and Peter Vettiger

For: **DEVICE FOR CONTACTING AND/OR MODIFYING A SURFACE HAVING A  
CANTILEVER AND A METHOD FOR PRODUCTION OF SAID CANTILEVER**

This application is a ☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part  
of prior Application No.: **09/745,273**, from which priority under 35 U.S.C. §120 is claimed.

**Application Elements:**

- ☒ 18 Pages of Specification, Claims and Abstract
- ☒ 04 Sheets of Drawings
- ☐ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney
- ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d) for a continuation or divisional).

The entire disclosure of the prior application from which a copy of the declaration is herein supplied is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

**Accompanying Application Parts:**

- ☐ Assignment and Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet (recording fee of \$40.00 enclosed)
- ☐ Associate Power of Attorney
- ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement by Assignee
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment (*New claims numbered after highest original claim in prior application.*)
- ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
- ☐ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
- ☐ Other:

# Amendments

☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: "This is a  
☐ Continuation ☐ Continuation-in-part ☒ Divisional  
application of copending prior  
☒ Application No. 09/745,273 filed on 12/20/2000,  
☐ International Application \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_ which  
designated the United States,  
the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference."

☐ Cancel in this application original claims \_\_\_\_\_ of the prior application  
before calculating the filing fee. (*At least one original independent claim must be retained.*)

## Fee Calculation (37 CFR § 1.16)

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BASIC FEE			\$355	OR	\$750	\$750
TOTAL CLAIMS	<u>19</u> -20 = <u>00</u>		x09 = \$	OR	x18 = \$	\$0
INDEP CLAIMS	<u>01</u> -03 = <u>00</u>		x40 = \$	OR	x84 = \$	\$0
[ ] Multiple Dependent Claim Presented			\$135 = \$	OR	\$280 = \$	\$0
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## General Authorization for Petition for Extension of Time (37 CFR § 1.136)

☒ Applicants hereby make and generally authorize any Petitions for Extensions of Time as may be needed  
for any subsequent filings. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any extension fees under 37 CFR §  
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